(c) The primary operator shall maintain documentation to show that the operator has satisfactorily completed all training required by this section.

"§ 143-215.94RR. Training requirements for emergency response operators.

- (a) The Department shall develop a training program for emergency response operators. At a minimum, the training shall require the primary operator to demonstrate all of the following:
 - (1) General understanding of the underground storage tank system at the facility, and knowledge of the location and proper operation of the safety and emergency response equipment.
 - (2) Understanding of the actions to be taken in response to an emergency, including situations posing an immediate danger or threat to the public or to the environment and requiring immediate action.
 - (3) Understanding of leak detection alarms and preparations needed to respond to alarms before a release has occurred.
 - (4) Recognition of unusual operating conditions, equipment failures, or environmental conditions that may indicate a release, and knowledge of the steps to take in response to a suspected release.
 - (5) Knowledge of immediate steps to take in response to a confirmed release to stop further release and to contain spills before they reach the environment.
- (b) The primary operator is responsible for implementing the training program developed by the Department for emergency response operators. The primary operator shall train each emergency response operator of the underground storage tank system at the facility. Prior to training an emergency response operator, the primary operator shall have satisfactorily completed all training required by this section. The primary operator shall maintain documentation of training provided to emergency response operators.

"§ 143-215.94SS. Enforcement.

This Part may be enforced as provided in G.S. 143-215.94W, 143-215.94X, and G.S. 143-215.94Y.

"§ 143-215.94TT. Effect on other laws.

The requirements of this Part are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other requirements applicable to underground storage tank owners or operators, as defined in 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 280, under law."

SECTION 3. Each designated primary operator and emergency response operator shall complete the training required by this section no later than August 8, 2012. For primary operators designated after August 8, 2012, the owner shall notify the Department of the designation, and the primary operator shall be trained within 30 days after assuming operation and maintenance responsibilities for the underground storage tank system. After August 8, 2012, no person may assume the responsibilities of emergency response operator without having first satisfactorily completed emergency response operator training, and the primary operator shall ensure that no person assumes the responsibilities of emergency response operator, unless the person has satisfactorily completed emergency response operator training.

SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.